

PATENT APPLICATION
042390.P11456

Remarks

Reconsideration of this application is requested. Claims 1-37 and 40-84 remain in the Application.

Disqualification of Nordal et al. using an Affidavit
under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

This response is filed concurrently with an affidavit filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 that establishes invention of the subject matter of the claims prior to the effective date of the cited document of Nordal et al. (filed February 6, 2001). Accordingly, Applicant submits that the cited document of Nordal et al. is disqualified as prior art.

It is respectfully pointed out that the attached "INTEL INVENTION DISCLOSURE" form was edited to remove information that is not relevant to show date of conception.

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The Office action rejects claims 1-37 and 40-84 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Sukegawa et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,860,083) in view of Nordal et al. (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0160116 A1). Applicant believes this rejection has been traversed in view of the remarks that follow.

As discussed above, Applicant submits that the cited document of Nordal et al. is disqualified as prior art. Thus, the rejection of claims 1-37 and 40-84 should be withdrawn and it is believed that claims 1-37 and 40-84 are in condition for allowance.

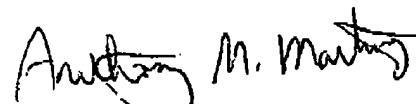
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In view of all of the above, it is believed that Applicant's claims are allowable, and the case is in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited. Reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested.

Should it be determined that an additional fee is due under 37 CFR §§1.16 or 1.17, or any excess fee has been received, please charge that fee or credit the amount of overcharge to deposit account #50-0221.

If the Examiner believes that there are any informalities that can be corrected by an Examiner's amendment, a telephone call to the undersigned at (480) 715-0624 is respectfully solicited.

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